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SUBJECT: SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY DELEGATIONS VISITS TO INFO
ADDREESSES

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1. A RECENT EDITION OF THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC DAILY, AKTUELIT,
REPORTED UPCOMING VISITS ABROAD BY DELEGATIONS FROM GOVERNING
DANISH SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY TO THE SOVIET UNION, FRANCE,
YUGOSLAVIA, SPAIN AND CUBA.

2. AKTUELIT CHARACTERIZED THE OCTOBER VISIT TO MOSCOW AS "THE FIRST
TIME THAT THE SOCDEM PARTY HAS HAD DIRECT PARTY CONTACT WITH THE
SOVIET UNION." THE DELEGATION WILL BE HEADED BY THE PARTY'S
VICE CHAIRMAN, AND MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS, KJELD OLESEN. THE
INVITATION WAS EXTENDED BY THE SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY INSTITUTE.

3. IN JUNE, SIMILAR DELEGATIONS WILL VISIT: (1) FRANCE, AS GUESTS
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OF THE FRENCH SOCIALIST PARTY; (2) FINLAND, TO TAKE PART IN THE
CONGRESS OF THE FINNISH SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY; (3) SPAIN,
AS GUESTS OF FELIPE GONZALEZ'S PSOE; (4) YUGOSLAVIA, TO ATTEND
THE COMMUNIST PARTY CONGRESS; (5) HAVANA, "TO ATTEND CUBA'S
INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION THE END OF JUNE." (COMMENT: OUR
CALENDAR SHOWS CUBA'S NATIONAL HOLIDAY AS JANUARY 1. END COMMENT)
DANISH SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY CHAIRMAN, AND PRIME MINISTER,

ANKER JORGENSEN WILL LEAD THE DELEGATIONS TO SPAIN AND FINLAND.
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4. SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY SECRETARY, HOVGAARD CHRISTIANSEN, PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO EMBOFF. THE SECRETARY RECALLED EARLIER CONTACTS BETWEEN THE DANISH SOCIAL DEMOCRATS AND COMMUNIST PARTIES IN ROMANIA AND HUNGARY AND, NOW, WITH YUGOSLAVIA. THE SOCDEMS ALSO VISITED POLAND AS GUESTS OF THAT COUNTRY'S FOREIGN POLICY INSTITUTE.

5. ALL THIS HAS CREATED "VARIOUS PRESSURES" ON THE PARTY TO ACCEPT ONE OF A NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING INVITATIONS TO THE SOVIET UNION. THE SOCDEM PARTY'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DECIDED IN LATE MAY THAT NO MORE PARTY-TO-PARTY CONTACTS WOULD BE ESTABLISHED AT THE PRESENT TIME WITH COMMUNIST PARTIES IN ADDITIONAL EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. THE COMMITTEE DID CONCLUDE, HOWEVER, THAT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO ACCEPT AN INVITATION FROM THE SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY INSTITUTE. IN ADDITION TO OLESEN, THE, PERHAPS, FOUR-MAN DELEGATION WILL INCLUDE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARLIAMENTARIAN (AND ONE OF THIS YEAR'S

S
EMBASSY IV GRANTEES), POUL NIELSEN ONE OF THE PARTY'S THEORETICIANS, IS CHAIRMAN OF THE PARTY'S FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. HE MAINTAINS A CURRENT SPECIAL INTEREST IN DISARMAMENT.

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6. IN SEPARATE BUT BRIEF, CONVERSATION, NIELSEN TOLD POLCOUNS THAT HE WOULD ALSO BE A MEMBER OF THE DELEGATIONS TO SPAIN AND HAVANA BUT THAT NEITHER THE LATTER, NOR THE MOSCOW, VISIT IS CERTAIN TO OCCUR.

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